

DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

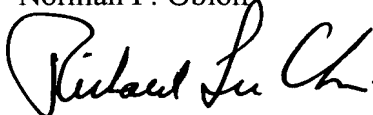
The Amendment to the Specification involves correcting obvious typographical errors. The errors do not constitute new matter because one skilled in the art would recognize the errors and be able to make the appropriate corrections.

Should the Examiner have any questions with regard to the Amendments, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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